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# CEDARVILLE COLLEGE



BASEBALL

1999



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## 1999 Schedule

March 15	Carroll College (2; at Dade City, FL)	10:00
March 16	at Warner Southern College (1)	3:00
March 17	at Webber College (2)	1:00
March 20	at Warner Southern College (2)	1:00
March 23	WITTENBERG UNIVERSITY (1)	6:00
March 25	at Wilmington College (1)	3:00
March 27	at Malone College* (2)	1:00
March 30	at Capital University (1)	3:30
April 1	at Urbana University* (2)	1:00
April 3	WALSH UNIVERSITY* (2)	12:00
April 6	at Mount Vernon Nazarene College* (2)	1:00
April 8	WILMINGTON COLLEGE (1)	6:00
April 10	at Geneva College* (2)	1:00
April 13	SHAWNEE STATE UNIVERSITY* (2)	12:00
April 15	COLLEGE of MOUNT ST. JOSEPH (1)	6:00
April 17	at Saint Vincent College* (2)	1:00
April 20	TIFFIN UNIVERSITY* (2)	12:00
April 23	UNIVERSITY of RIO GRANDE* (2)	12:00
April 24	OHIO DOMINICAN COLLEGE* (2)	12:00
April 30	at Earlham College (1)	6:00
May 5-8	American Mideast Conference Tournament (at No.1 seed)	TBA
May 8	at Asbury College (2)	1:00
May 13-15	NCCAA Midwest Regional (at Spring Arbor, MI)	TBA

\*American Mideast Conference Games

All home games played at Municipal Stadium Annex; Springfield, OH

## On the Cover

Sophomore outfielder Micah Hutchins is one of five returning players on the Yellow Jacket roster in 1999. He started all 29 games in which he played as a freshman and led the team with 14 runs batted in.

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## *Yellow Jacket Baseball*

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Career and Cedarville College Record .....	52-128 (6 years)
Assistant Coach .....	Brandon Locks, 766-7645
1998 Overall Record .....	4-27
1998 Conference Record .....	2-14 (9th of 9)

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## *Athletics Directory*

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Men's Golf .....	Jim Kragel, 766-7985
Men's Soccer .....	Roger Swigart, 766-3247
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Men's/Women's Track and Field .....	Paul Orchard, 766-7762
Women's Volleyball .....	Teresa Clark, 766-7763

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## *Cedarville College Facts*

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Location .....	Cedarville, Ohio
Founded .....	1887
President .....	Dr. Paul Dixon
Enrollment .....	2,650
National Affiliations .....	NAIA, NCCAA
Conference .....	American Midwest Conference
AMC Homepage .....	<a href="http://www.amcsports.org">www.amcsports.org</a>
Nickname .....	Yellow Jackets
Colors .....	Blue and Yellow
College Switchboard .....	766-2211
Admissions Office .....	1-800-CEDARVILLE

\*\*\*Area Code for all Phones: 937\*\*\*

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## *Cedarville College*

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Cedarville College is a Baptist college of arts and sciences of 2,650 students. The school is located on a 300-acre campus at the north edge of the village of Cedarville, Ohio, a quiet town with a population of approximately 3,000. The village and its surrounding area have long maintained a reputation for providing a wholesome environment for learning.



Though located in a rural community, Cedarville is conveniently situated in the center of a triangle formed by Columbus, Dayton, and Cincinnati, which allows easy access to three of the fastest-growing metropolitan areas in the nation.

Founded in 1887 by the Reformed Presbyterian Church, the college was established by individuals who had a vital interest in the spiritual welfare of young people. In 1953, the operation of the college was transferred to the trustees of Baptist Bible Institute of Cleveland with the goal of enlarging the Institute's ministry. The name, Cedarville College, was retained and the school continues to perpetuate the original purpose of its founders. The school motto, "...for the Word of God and testimony of Jesus Christ," reflects this commitment.

Since its founding, Cedarville has coupled a balanced liberal arts program with a fundamentalist, theological position in regard to doctrine and patterns of conduct. All classes are taught by dedicated Christian professors who integrate the knowledge of their respective fields with Biblical perspectives.

In keeping with the liberal arts concept, the curriculum centers on a basic program of general studies, including biblical education, communications, humanities, physical education, science and mathematics, and social science. Students choose a major field of concentrated study related to their abilities, interests, and career goals. The college offers over 90 programs of study leading to a baccalaureate degree.

The College recognizes that students must live and work in a society where computers and computer networks are an essential part of everyday life. To equip students to function effectively in this environment, Cedarville has launched CedarNet, the award-winning campus-wide computer information network. CedarNet, which allows access to Internet, WWW and OhioLINK, links computers in every dorm room and office on campus.

Cedarville views individual ministry involvement to be a vital and necessary part of each student's education and personal growth. The Christian Ministries Division provides training and assistance to the hundreds of students who volunteer for any of the more than 100 different ministries each quarter.

Cedarville attracts students from 47 states and nearly 65 percent of the student body comes from out of state which includes more than 30 international students.

Residence hall living is considered an integral part of the educational process with approximately 80 percent of the student body residing on campus in college housing.



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## *Dr. Paul Dixon, President*

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Dr. Paul Dixon is a graduate of Tennessee Temple University and Temple Baptist Theological Seminary. In 1986 he received his doctorate in higher education from the University of Cincinnati. He is the recipient of two honorary degrees: the Doctor of Divinity from his alma mater and Doctor of Laws from Liberty University.



After 14 years in an evangelistic ministry, Dr. Dixon became the president of Cedarville College in 1978. Under his administration, the College's enrollment has grown over 90 percent, with 2,650 students in fall 1998.

For more than 20 years, Dr. Dixon has been a popular speaker for professional sports chapel programs including the Cincinnati Reds and Bengals and many of the National League baseball and NFL teams.

Mrs. Dixon, the former Pat Landers of Chattanooga, Tennessee, serves as the Assistant to the President for Institutional Enhancement. She is Professor Emerita in the Department of Language and Literature Department where she taught for 25 years before retiring in 1996.

The Dixons have one son, Scott, who is an assistant professor of Bible at the College. He and his wife, Sara, have five children and reside in Springfield.

Psalm 37:23 has been a challenge for Dr. and Mrs. Dixon since their marriage in 1960: "The steps of a good man are ordered by the Lord, and he delighteth in his way."

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## *Dr. Don Callan, Dean School of Health and Human Performance*

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Dr. Don Callan begins his 39th year at Cedarville College where he has served in various capacities in athletics. His most recent promotion was being named the first Dean of the School of Health and Human Performance. He is responsible for the Department of Exercise and Sport Science, Athletic Department, and Athletic Training.



At one time, Callan jointly held the positions of athletic director, head men's basketball coach, and department chair. He was the school's athletic director from 1961 through 1997 in which Cedarville went from offering just a couple sports to 14 varsity programs.

Callan served as head men's basketball coach from 1960 through 1995. Upon completing his legendary career, he was the NAIA's third winningest active coach and ranked 19th all-time with 579 victories.

Callan is a member of the Halls of Fame at the NAIA, NCCAA, Cedarville College, and Taylor University, his alma mater. He received the prestigious Lifetime Achievement Award presented by the Agonis Club of Dayton, Ohio in 1996 for his longtime commitment and contribution to athletics in the state of Ohio.

Callan is founder of the Missions Involvement Service at Cedarville College. He has been especially committed to worldwide sports evangelism for four decades.

Dr. Callan is a 1955 graduate of Taylor University. He received his master's degree from Ball State University in 1960, and his Ph.D. in physical education from The Ohio State University in 1968.

Dr. Callan and his wife, Nedra, reside in Cedarville and have two married children. A daughter, Jan Leach, and her husband, Mark, reside in Fairfield, Ohio with their two children. The Callan's also have a son, Jon David, who lives in Wilmington, Ohio with his wife, Karen, and their two children.

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## *Pete Reese, Athletic Director*

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Pete Reese begins his 11th year at Cedarville College and on July 1, 1998 was promoted to the office of athletic director where he oversees 14 varsity Yellow Jacket sports. He brings over 30 years of athletic administration to the program.

Reese previously held the positions of assistant men's basketball coach and Director of Athletic Facilities at Cedarville. Among his many responsibilities, he guided the construction of new complexes for soccer, baseball, and softball.

Reese was Cedarville's head baseball coach from 1989 to 1991. He was named the 1990 NAIA District 22 and Mid-Ohio Conference Coach of the Year after leading the Yellow Jackets to their first MOC title in 20 years and the top seed in the district tournament.

From 1965 to 1988, Reese was associated with The Master's College in California, formerly known as Los Angeles Baptist College. At one time or another he held positions as athletic director, chairman of the physical education department, professor, and coach.

Reese is a 1960 graduate of Cedarville College and has a master's degree in education from Eastern Michigan University. He established himself as one of the most dominant basketball players to ever play for the Yellow Jackets and he was inducted as a charter member of the Cedarville College Athletic Hall of Fame in 1984.

Pete and his wife, Joyce, live in Xenia and have two married children. A daughter, Kim Ray, and her husband, Ken, reside in San Jose, California. Their son Chris, a 1989 Cedarville graduate, is presently athletic director and head basketball coach at Multnomah Bible College in Oregon. He and his wife, Cheryl, have two children.



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## Norris Smith, Head Coach

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Norris Smith begins his seventh season at Cedarville College as head baseball coach and as Athletic Facility Coordinator. The Yellow Jackets have posted a 52-128 record during the past six years with one postseason appearance.

Prior to coming to Cedarville, Smith was a Biology teacher at Marion L. Steele High School in Amherst, Ohio from 1966 through 1992. He was head baseball coach during his final 25 years there and established a 292-225 career record. His teams won eight Southwestern Conference championships, one district title, and he was a three-time conference Coach of the Year.

Smith is a 1963 graduate of Cedarville College and he earned his master's degree from Kent State University in 1971. While a student at Cedarville, he starred in basketball and baseball, and is a former Yellow Jacket MVP in both sports and was all-conference in basketball. Norris and his wife, Judy, reside in Cedarville. They have two married daughters and four grandsons.



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## Brandon Locks, Assistant Coach

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Brandon Locks is in his second year as an assistant coach in the Yellow Jacket baseball program. The Fairborn, Ohio native possesses eight years of coaching experience including the title of head coach for the past three summers in American Legion ball.

Locks is a 1997 graduate of Tusculum College in Greeneville, Tennessee with a degree in English Telecommunications. He played parts of three seasons for the Pioneer baseball program. He was part of a Tennessee-Virginia Athletic Conference championship team as a sophomore that finished 34-13 and was runner-up in NAIA regional play.

Locks presently teaches math at Fairborn High School and is an office manager for First Security in Dayton. He is single and resides in Fairborn.







## 1999 Cedarville College Baseball



(Kneeling) Tim Sastic, Ben Saturley, Dana Gerber, Micah Hutchins, Phil Hamilton, Michael Bright.

(Standing) Head Coach Norris Smith, Graig Bantle, Trevor Creeden, Chad Hofstetter, Nathan Verwys, Dan Rickett, Bryan Mangin, Brian Hill, Scott VanDerAa, Tim McCorkle, Drew Bennett, Assistant Coach Brandon Locks.



## 1999 Season Outlook

The Cedarville College baseball team will take to the field in 1999 with a squad that can't be much younger. Norris Smith enters his seventh season as head coach with a 20-man roster that is without a senior and contains just one junior. Seven sophomores and no fewer than 12 freshmen help to make up the rest of the club that continues a rebuilding process.

"We have some new players that have some ability and it's no secret they will have to contribute immediately for us to be successful," Smith explained. "It's going to be a maturing process, but we think we can be competitive."

The lone junior is captain Nathan Verwys, who played one year at Cornerstone College in Michigan before transferring to Cedarville. He batted .253 in his first season as a Yellow Jacket with 11 runs batted in. He'll play the outfield and see some time on the mound.

Sophomore Trevor Creeden, who is the only left-handed thrower on the club, will pitch and play first base. He is Cedarville's top returning hitter after batting .277 last spring with only three strikeouts.

The three other returning players are sophomores Phil Hamilton, Tim Sastic, and Micah Hutchins. Hamilton saw action in 21 games, Sastic batted .234 in 25 appearances, and Hutchins drove in a team-high 14 runs and tied for second with 13 runs scored.

The schedule again promises to be demanding for the Yellow Jackets with perennial powers Mount Vernon Nazarene and Ohio Dominican headlining the American Midwest Conference loop. Cedarville will also face longtime rivals Wilmington and Wittenberg.

The Jackets will play their home games at the Municipal Stadium Annex in Springfield, Ohio while construction on their new baseball field is completed on the north end of campus. It will include a natural turf field with a Diamond Pro surface on the infield and on the 15-foot warning track that leads up to an eight-foot high wooden fence. The outfield dimensions are 330 feet down each line and 402 feet to centerfield. The site includes 50-foot long dugouts, a press box, electronic scoreboard, and seating for 500 people. The entire field has drainage and it includes an automatic irrigation system.

# 1999 Baseball Roster



## Numerical

No	Player	Pos	Ht	Wt	Yr	T-B	Hometown	High School
4	Drew Bennett	IF	6-0	175	Fr	R-R	Pettisville, OH	Pettisville
5	Tim Sastic	P/IF	5-7	150	So	R-R	Elmer, NJ	Cumberland Christian
6	Phil Hamilton	OF	5-11	165	So	R-R	Winfield, IL	Wheaton North
7	Trevor Creeden	P/1b	5-11	165	So	L-L	Emmaus, PA	Emmaus
8	Dan Montanye	OF	6-0	160	Fr	R-R	Milford, NJ	Plumstead Christian
9	Graig Bantle	OF	5-10	155	Fr	R-R	Pittsford, NY	Pittsford-Mendon
10	Tim McCorkle	C	5-11	165	Fr	R-R	Bakersfield, CA	Centennial
11	Chad Hofstetter	3b	6-0	175	Fr	R-R	Dalton, OH	Dalton
12	Aaron Statler	2b	5-11	145	Fr	R-L	Mount Vernon, OH	Mount Vernon
14	Brian Hill	P/IF	6-1	150	Fr	R-R	Spotsylvania, VA	Fredericksburg Chr.
15	Dana Gerber	3b	6-0	175	So	R-R	Lander, WY	Homeschool
16	Kerry Baker	OF	6-1	175	So	R-S	West Milton, OH	Milton-Union
18	Joe Burke	OF	6-2	180	Fr	R-R	Glen Ellyn, IL	Glenbard West
19	Ben Saturley	P	5-11	195	Fr	R-R	Pembroke, NH	Pembroke Academy
20	Micah Hutchins	OF	6-0	170	So	R-R	Atlanta, GA	Vineyard Harvester Chr. Acad.
21	Michael Bright	C	5-9	180	Fr	R-R	Indianapolis, IN	Bethesda Christian
22	Nathan Verwys*	P/OF	6-2	185	Jr	R-R	Grand Rapids, MI	Grand Rapids Baptist
23	Bryan Mangin	P/SS	6-3	185	Fr	R-R	Sellersville, PA	Plumstead Christian
24	Dan Rickett	P/DH	6-1	190	So	R-L	Medina, OH	Medina Senior
40	Scott VanDerAa	P/IF	6-0	210	Fr	R-R	Winamac, IN	Eastern Pulaski

## Alphabetical

No	Player	Pos	Ht	Wt	Yr	T-B	Hometown	High School
16	Kerry Baker	OF	6-1	175	So	R-S	West Milton, OH	Milton-Union
9	Graig Bantle	OF	5-10	155	Fr	R-R	Pittsford, NY	Pittsford-Mendon
4	Drew Bennett	IF	6-0	175	Fr	R-R	Pettisville, OH	Pettisville
21	Michael Bright	C	5-9	180	Fr	R-R	Indianapolis, IN	Bethesda Christian
18	Joe Burke	OF	6-2	180	Fr	R-R	Glen Ellyn, IL	Glenbard West
7	Trevor Creeden	P/1b	5-11	165	So	L-L	Emmaus, PA	Emmaus
15	Dana Gerber	3b	6-0	175	So	R-R	Lander, WY	Homeschool
6	Phil Hamilton	OF	5-11	165	So	R-R	Winfield, IL	Wheaton North
14	Brian Hill	P/IF	6-1	150	Fr	R-R	Spotsylvania, VA	Fredericksburg Chr.
11	Chad Hofstetter	3b	6-0	175	Fr	R-R	Dalton, OH	Dalton
20	Micah Hutchins	OF	6-0	170	So	R-R	Atlanta, GA	Vineyard Harvester Chr. Acad.
23	Bryan Mangin	P/SS	6-3	185	Fr	R-R	Sellersville, PA	Plumstead Christian
10	Tim McCorkle	C	5-11	165	Fr	R-R	Bakersfield, CA	Centennial
8	Dan Montanye	OF	6-0	160	Fr	R-R	Milford, NJ	Plumstead Christian
24	Dan Rickett	P/DH	6-1	190	So	R-L	Medina, OH	Medina Senior
5	Tim Sastic	P/IF	5-7	150	So	R-R	Elmer, NJ	Cumberland Christian
19	Ben Saturley	P	5-11	195	Fr	R-R	Pembroke, NH	Pembroke Academy
12	Aaron Statler	2b	5-11	145	Fr	R-L	Mount Vernon, OH	Mount Vernon
40	Scott VanDerAa	P/IF	6-0	210	Fr	R-R	Winamac, IN	Eastern Pulaski
22	Nathan Verwys*	P/OF	6-2	185	Jr	R-R	Grand Rapids, MI	Grand Rapids Baptist

\* Captain

### Pronunciation Guide

Montanye	mon-TAN-yuh
Verwys	VUR-wice
Mangin	MANG-gun
VanDerAa	VAN-dur-ay

### Breakdown by State

Ohio	5
Indiana	2
Illinois	2
New Jersey	2
Pennsylvania	2
California	1
Georgia	1
Michigan	1
New Hampshire	1
New York	1
Virginia	1
Wyoming	1

### Breakdown by Year

Senior	0
Junior	1
Sophomore	7
Freshmen	12



## Player Profiles



### **#22 Nathan Verwys**

**- Captain -**

**6-2, 185, Jr,**

**Grand Rapids, MI**

**P/OF, Bats-R, Throws-R**

Nathan Verwys returns for his second season in the Yellow Jacket baseball program and will serve as team captain.....Played and lettered as a freshman at Cornerstone College before transferring to Cedarville.....Will see action as a pitcher and outfielder, and has experience at first base.....Appeared in all 31 games as a sophomore with 27 starts.....Batted .253 with two doubles, a triple and 11 runs batted in.....One of the top fielders on the team with a .944 accuracy.....Went 2-for-3 with two RBI in 13-4 NCCAA Midwest Regional victory over Lincoln Christian.....Had three other two-hit games.....Earned eight letters total in baseball, basketball, and soccer at Grand Rapids Baptist High School.....Four-year letter winner in baseball and achieved all-conference honors as a senior.....Recognized as one of the top pitchers in the league as a senior and led the loop in strikeouts.....Batted over .300 as a sophomore on the varsity.....Carries a Business Management major at Cedarville College.....Born 12/10/77.....Son of Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Verwys.....Has one younger brother and a younger sister.



### **#7 Trevor Creeden**

**5-11, 165, So,**

**Emmaus, PA**

**P/1B, Bats-L, Throws-L**

Trevor Creeden is the Yellow Jackets leading returning hitter after posting a .277 batting average as a freshman in 1998.....Appeared in 18 games with 15 starts and missed the final 11 games of the season with injury trouble.....Recorded 13 hits in 47 at bats with three doubles, a triple, and only three strikeouts.....Best outing came in a doubleheader versus Walsh in which he was 3-for-4 with two runs scored and two doubles in the opener, and a 2-for-4 effort with two runs and two doubles in the nightcap.....First official at bat as a collegian resulted in a triple at Tennessee Temple.....Three-year letter winner in basketball at Emmaus High School and earned one all-star game appearance.....Carries a Public Administration major at Cedarville College.....Born 6/12/79.....Son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Creeden.....Twin brother, Ryan, played for the Yellow Jackets last spring and now attends James Madison University.....Also has a younger sister.





### **#20 Micah Hutchins**

**6-0, 170, So, Atlanta, GA**

**OF, Bats-R, Throws-R**

Micah Hutchins is one of five Yellow Jacket returnees after starting all 29 games he appeared in as a freshman.....Drove in a team-high 14 runs and ranked second on the team in runs scored with 13.....Batted .215 with 20 hits in a team-high 93 at bats with four doubles and a home run.....Went 3-for-4 with a double and two RBI versus Walsh.....Had two hits and scored three runs in an NCCAA Midwest Regional win over Lincoln Christian.....Registered two-hit efforts against conference foes Malone, Mount Vernon Nazarene, and Rio Grande.....Homed at Marietta.....Singled in first official collegiate at bat.....Earned three letters in baseball and two more in basketball at Vineyard Harvester Christian Academy.....Two-time varsity all-star and played on three divisional championship teams.....County stolen base leader as a sophomore, junior, and senior.....Batted .350 over his final two seasons.....Valedictorian of graduating class.....Carries an Organizational Communications major at Cedarville College.....Born 6/4/79.....Son of Mr. and Mrs. John Hutchins.....Has two older brothers and three younger brothers.



### **#5 Tim Sastic**

**5-7, 150, So, Elmer, NJ**

**P/IF, Bats-R, Throws-R**

Tim Sastic played in 25 games with 19 starts as a freshman primarily as a catcher.....Batted .234 with a pair of doubles.....Was 2-for-4 with two stolen bases against Wilmington.....Two other two-hit games came against Rhode Island College and conference foe Walsh.....Earned eight letters in baseball, basketball, and soccer at Cumberland Christian High School.....Three-year letter winner in baseball, who graduated with seven school records.....Three-time Tri-State Christian Athletic Conference MVP with two outright and one shared.....Played on one conference championship team.....Batted over .500 in his career and tossed two no-hitters.....Garnered all-conference honors in basketball and soccer.....National Honor Society member and Student Body President.....Carries a Sociology major at Cedarville College, who intends on entering the pastorate.....Born 7/14/79.....Son of Dr. and Mrs. Daniel Sastic.....Has one younger brother.



### **#6 Phil Hamilton**

**5-11, 165, So, Winfield, IL**

**OF, Bats-R, Throws-R**

Phil Hamilton is one of the five returning players on the Yellow Jackets 1999 roster.....Appeared in 21 games with 14 starts as a freshman as an outfielder.....Best outing as a rookie came in a doubleheader against league foe Walsh in which he recorded two hits and scored twice.....Lettered one season in baseball at Bethlehem Baptist High School and played his final three seasons with two letters at Wheaton North.....Bible major with an emphasis in Christian Education and Youth at Cedarville College.....Born 5/2/79.....Son of Dr. and Mrs. Tom Hamilton.....Has two older sisters.





**WWW.AMCSPORTS.ORG**

**AMC Baseball Tournament**

**May 5-8, 1999**

**No. 1 Seed Hosts**

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**Cedarville College "Yellow Jackets"**

Cedarville, OH

Enrollment: 2,650

Head Coach: Norris Smith

1998 Record: 4-27 (2-14 MOC, 9th)



**Geneva College "Golden Tornadoes"**

Beaver Falls, PA

Enrollment: 1,848

Head Coach: Alan Sumner

1998 Record: 24-24

April 10 at Geneva, 1:00 p.m.



**Malone College "Pioneers"**

Canton, OH

Enrollment: 2,200

Head Coach: Jay Martin

1998 Record: 14-27 (7-9 MOC, 7th)

March 27 at Malone, 1:00 p.m.



**Mount Vernon Nazarene College "Cougars"**

Mount Vernon, OH

Enrollment: 1,800

Head Coach: Keith Veale

1998 Record: 37-12 (13-3 MOC, 1st)

April 6 at MVNC, 1:00 p.m.



**Ohio Dominican College "Panthers"**

Columbus, OH

Enrollment: 1,949

Head Coach: Paul Page

1998 Record: 39-16 (11-5 MOC, 2nd)

April 24 at Cedarville, 12:00 noon







**University of Rio Grande "Redmen"**

Rio Grande, OH

Enrollment: 2,000

Head Coach: Brent Clark

1998 Record: 18-21-1 (9-7 MOC, tie 3rd)

April 23 at Cedarville, 12:00 noon



**Saint Vincent College "Bearcats"**

Latrobe, PA

Enrollment: 1,200

Head Coach: Michael Janosko

1998 Record: 16-26

April 17 at Saint Vincent, 1:00 p.m.



**Shawnee State University "Bears"**

Portsmouth, OH

Enrollment: 3,505

Head Coach: Pat Riggsby

1998 Record: 35-11-1 (9-7 MOC, tie 3rd)

April 13 at Cedarville, 12:00 noon



**Tiffin University "Dragons"**

Tiffin, OH

Enrollment: 1,300

Head Coach: Lonny Allen

1998 Record: 14-22 (9-7 MOC, tie 3rd)

April 20 at Cedarville, 12:00 noon



**Urbana University "Blue Knights"**

Urbana, OH

Enrollment: 900

Head Coach: Al Fulk

1998 Record: 18-25 (4-11 MOC, 8th)

April 1 at Urbana, 1:00 p.m.



**Walsh University "Cavaliers"**

North Canton, OH

Enrollment: 1,536

Head Coach: Tim Mead

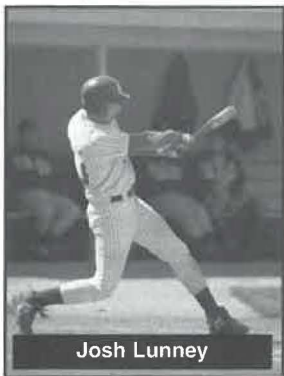
1998 Record: 21-20 (8-8 MOC, 6th)

April 3 at Cedarville, 12:00 noon





## 1998 Review



Josh Lunney

The 1998 version of Yellow Jacket baseball was no different from many of the other Cedarville spring sports teams in that they were extremely lean on experience. No less than 13 of the 16 players were either freshmen or sophomores and 11 of them were newcomers to the program. The result was a 4-27 record overall and 2-14 slate in the Mid-Ohio Conference.

Senior co-captain Josh Lunney batted a team-high .354 and was voted to the All-Mid-Ohio Conference Second Team at third base. He was also named to the All-NCCAA Midwest Region squad.

Lunney paced Cedarville in nearly every offensive statistical category. He was tops in hits (29), runs scored (18), doubles (6), triples (2), home runs (3), slugging percentage (.585), walks (13), and stolen bases (13).

The other senior co-captain was infielder Mark Wood, who was an honorable mention selection within the NCCAA Midwest Region. He was the only player to start all 31 games during the season.

Freshman infielder Ryan Creeden hit .319 to rank second on the squad at the plate. Twin brother Trevor batted .277 and struck out just three times in 55 plate appearances.

Sophomore outfielder Gabe Schlappi joined Lunney on the All-NCCAA Midwest Region Team. He started all 30 games in which he played with a .272 batting average, 13 runs scored, four doubles, and 12 walks.

The Yellow Jackets fashioned a 6-3 victory at Tennessee Temple in the opening doubleheader of the season. They later surprised Walsh, 6-5, at home and the Cavs eventually qualified for the MOC Tournament. Cedarville followed that decision with a win at Malone in their very next game by the same 6-5 count.

The Jackets experienced their best offensive contest in the next to last game of the season. In the NCCAA Midwest Regional, they drilled Lincoln Christian, 13-4, by hammering a season-high 16 hits.

### 1998 Season Results

at Tennessee Temple	3-4
at Tennessee Temple	6-3
Rhode Island College (at Bartow, FL)	3-4
at Webber	0-8
at Webber	7-14
at Warner Southern	3-15
at Warner Southern	2-21
at Marietta	2-25
at Wittenberg	3-19
at Mount Vernon Nazarene*	1-6
at Mount Vernon Nazarene*	0-8
TIFFIN*	5-8
TIFFIN*	2-11
at Rio Grande*	3-6
at Rio Grande*	2-3
URBANA*	0-8
URBANA*	2-4 (9 innings)
WALSH*	7-10
WALSH*	6-5
at Malone*	6-5
at Malone*	1-7
at Shawnee State*	1-10
at Shawnee State*	2-20
at Wilmington	4-12
OHIO DOMINICAN*	1-9
OHIO DOMINICAN*	2-12
Bluffton	1-7
Bluffton	2-15
Concordia#	2-9
Lincoln Christian#	13-4
at Spring Arbor#	0-11

\*Mid-Ohio Conference Games  
#NCCAA Midwest Regional

Overall Record: 4-27  
MOC Record: 2-14



**First Season of Baseball,**  
1896

**Mid-Ohio Conference  
Champions**  
1963, 1966, 1970, 1990

**NAIA District 22 Champions**  
1967

**NCCAA District Champions**  
1975, 1977

**NAIA All-American**  
1966 Charlie Wilkins

**Retired Jersey**  
#2 Bruce McDonald, 1966-69

**NAIA National Player of the  
Week**  
4/2/91 Dan Ambrose

## **Single Season Batting Records**

**Highest Batting Average**  
.462 Roger McKenney, 1966

**Hits**  
45 Tim Buhr, 1975

**Runs Scored**  
31 Fred Greetham, 1977  
31 Jamie Darling, 1981  
31 Steve Mays, 1994

**Doubles**  
13 Tony Wall, 1969

**Triples**  
9 Marty Devine, 1980

**Home Runs**  
11 Steve Sagraves, 1984

**Runs Batted In**  
32 Fred Greetham, 1977

**Stolen Bases**  
44 Roger McKenney, 1967

## **Single Season Pitching Records**

**Most Wins**  
9 Norris Smith, 1963

**Highest Winning Percentage**  
.900 Norris Smith (9-1), 1963

**Lowest Earned Run Average**  
1.22 Charlie Wilkins, 1966

**Most Innings**  
77.0 Tom Knowles, 1973

**Most Strikeouts**  
127 Charlie Wilkins, 1966



Founders Hall is visible in the background during this Cedarville College baseball game played in the earlier part of the 20th century.



## *Cedarville College Baseball History*

### **Top 10 Single Season**

#### **Batting Averages**

.462	Roger McKenney, 1966
.455	Bruce McDonald, 1968
.450	Gary Clemens, 1983
.446	Fred Greetham, 1977
.433	Fred Greetham, 1979
.432	Fred Greetham, 1978
.420	Steve Mays, 1995
.420	Bruce McDonald, 1967
.420	Adam Winters, 1990
.406	Tim Buhr, 1974

### **Single Season Top Fives**

#### **Hits**

47	Steve Mays, 1994
47	Steve Mays, 1995
47	Adam Winters, 1990
45	Tim Buhr, 1975
42	Fred Greetham, 1979

#### **Runs Scored**

31	Fred Greetham, 1977
31	Jamie Darling, 1981
31	Steve Mays, 1994
30	Steve Sagraves, 1984
29	Three players

#### **Doubles**

13	Tony Wall, 1969
11	Mike Ratzlaff, 1977
11	Adam Winters, 1990
10	Steve Sagraves, 1984
9	Four players



**Steve Sagraves**

#### **Triples**

9	Marty Devine, 1980
6	Steve Mays, 1994
4	Jim Schreiner, 1983
4	Steve Mays, 1995
3	Four players

### **Home Runs**

11	Steve Sagraves, 1984
5	Four players

### **Runs Batted In**

32	Fred Greetham, 1979
31	Mike Ratzlaff, 1977
31	Dan Ambrose, 1990
31	Adam Winters, 1990
29	Fred Greetham, 1979

### **Stolen Bases**

44	Roger McKenney, 1967
34	Fred Greetham, 1979
33	Bruce McDonald, 1968
31	Fred Greetham, 1977
23	Steve Pinkley, 1983

### **Pitching Victories (8 or more)**

9	Norris Smith, 1963
8	Charlie Wilkins, 1966
8	Tom Knowles, 1973



Charlie Wilkins struck out a school record 127 batters in 1966 and was one of only three pitchers in the nation selected to the NAIA All-America Team.

### **Earned Run Average**

1.22	Charlie Wilkins, 1966
1.46	Charlie Wilkins, 1963
1.80	Dan Erlandson, 1985
1.82	Shane Hardy, 1990
1.98	Randy Cagwin, 1978

# Cedarville College Baseball History



## Strikeouts

127	Charlie Wilkins, 1966
68	Todd Seljan, 1994
55	Dan Erlandson, 1988
54	Randy Rust, 1992
52	Richard Dilelio, 1964

## Top Five Team Winning Percentages

.889	1963 (16-2)
.720	1966 (13-5)
.700	1972 (14-6)
.680	1974 (17-8)
.620	1985 (18-11)

## Top Five Team Batting Averages

.319	1977
.306	1974
.300	1966
.290	1978
.290	1987

## Single Season Team Records

### Victories

18 1975, 1985, 1987, 1990

### Runs Scored

199 1975

## Hits

263 1990

## Doubles

49 1990

## Triples

21 1980

## Home Runs

21 1984

## Runs Batted In

162 1990

## Stolen Bases

81 1985



Fred Greetham owns three of the top six single season batting averages in Yellow Jacket baseball history.



Bruce McDonald is the only Yellow Jacket baseball player to ever have his jersey number retired (#2).





Throughout its history, the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) has provided strong leadership for all aspects of intercollegiate sports. Since its introduction of intercollegiate championship basketball in 1937, the NAIA has maintained the highest standards while administering first-rate athletics programs.

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In the past decade, presidents of the NAIA colleges and universities have assumed a position of responsible leadership. The NAIA's Council of Presidents, the organization's primary governing body, is comprised of 32 college and university presidents from all regions of the United States.

With its major emphasis on educational development, it was natural for the NAIA to further strengthen academic eligibility requirements in the mid-'80s. All NAIA participating student-athletes must maintain a certain grade point average (GPA) while accumulating credit hours for a declared academic degree. Unlike other associations, NAIA student-athlete academic eligibility is monitored on a semester-by-semester basis. The All-America Scholar-Athlete program, a long-standing NAIA tradition, recognizes junior and senior student-athletes with a minimum cumulative 3.5 GPA on a 4.0 scale.

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*National Christian College Athletic Association*

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The NCCAA, with national headquarters in Marion, Indiana, is a miracle organization. In just a few years an idea has become a reality providing Christian student-athletes in Christian colleges both an opportunity for fellowship and competition on the national level.

The NCCAA game plan is to produce true winners; a game plan that will carry an individual through his or her entire life. The game plan is devised to draw out the student-athlete's greatest potential -- body, mind, and spirit.

This game plan is catching on virtually all over the United States. Since its first tournament in 1968, the NCCAA has grown to encompass more than 100 Christian colleges nationwide, both liberal arts and Bible colleges in nature. The participating schools are dedicated not only to the best athletic competition possible, but also to exemplify Jesus Christ in everything.

The NCCAA believes:

That athletics are a means to an end, not an end in themselves.

That the process is as important as the performance.

That the person (student-athlete) is more important than the program.

NCCAA. It is an organization bringing Christian colleges together not just for athletic competition. More importantly, it is an organization bringing colleges together who have common goals and perspectives in Christian higher education.

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## *Yellow Jacket Field*

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The Yellow Jackets will play their 1999 home games at the Municipal Stadium Annex in Springfield while work is completed on their new home field at the north end of the campus. The baseball venue includes a natural turf field with a Diamond Pro surface on the infield and on the 15-foot warning track that leads up to an eight-foot high wooden fence. The outfield dimensions are 330 feet down each line and 402 feet to centerfield. The site includes 50-foot long dugouts, a press box, electronic scoreboard, and seating for 500 people. The entire field has drainage and it includes an automatic irrigation system.

The baseball field is a part of an athletic complex that includes new fields for softball and soccer. The project, which features a picnic pavilion and concession stand, is scheduled for completion by the fall of 1999.



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